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# EAST/WEST LOCUST STREET RECONDITIONING PROJECT PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MEETING

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
PROJECT ID 2455-07-00

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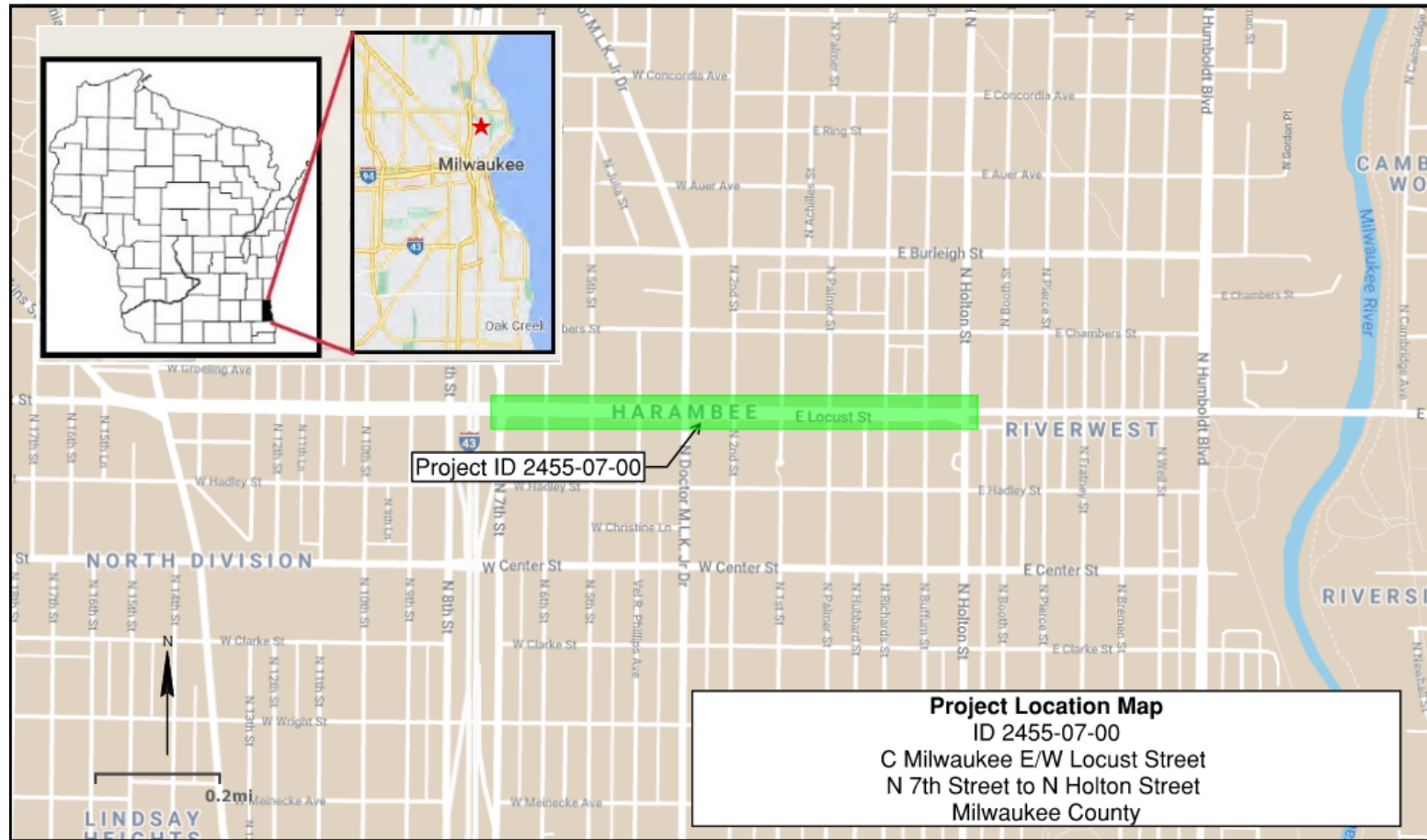


# AGENDA

- Project Location/Overview
- Existing Conditions
- Scope of Work
- Existing & Proposed Typical Sections
- 4 Lanes of Traffic
- ADA Compliance & Complete Streets
- Traffic Staging
- Adjacent Projects
- Questions & Comments



# PROJECT LOCATION





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# PROJECT OVERVIEW

- E/W Locust Street from N 7<sup>th</sup> St to N Holton St – approximately 0.74 miles
- Constructed in the 1960s
- Rehabilitated in 1996 and 2003.
- 30,500 vehicles per day west of North Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
- 22,400 vehicles per day east of North Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
- Existing infrastructure is in poor condition
- Curb ramps will be designed to meet American Disability Act (ADA) standards

# EXISTING CONDITIONS



Asphaltic Surface



Concrete Median Nose



Concrete Sidewalk



Concrete Curb & Gutter



Driveway Approach



Curb Ramp

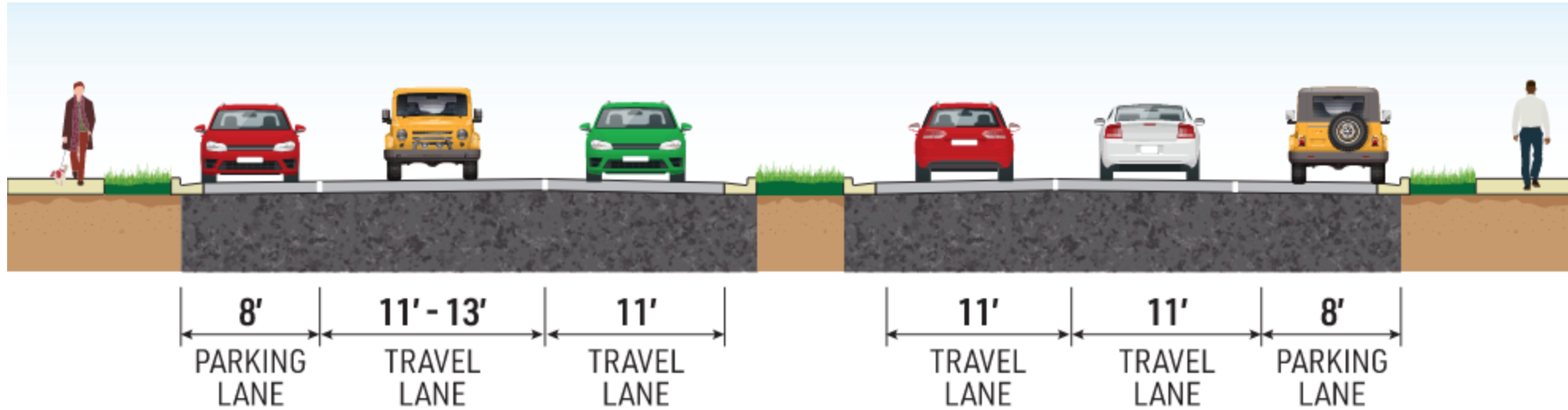
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# SCOPE OF WORK

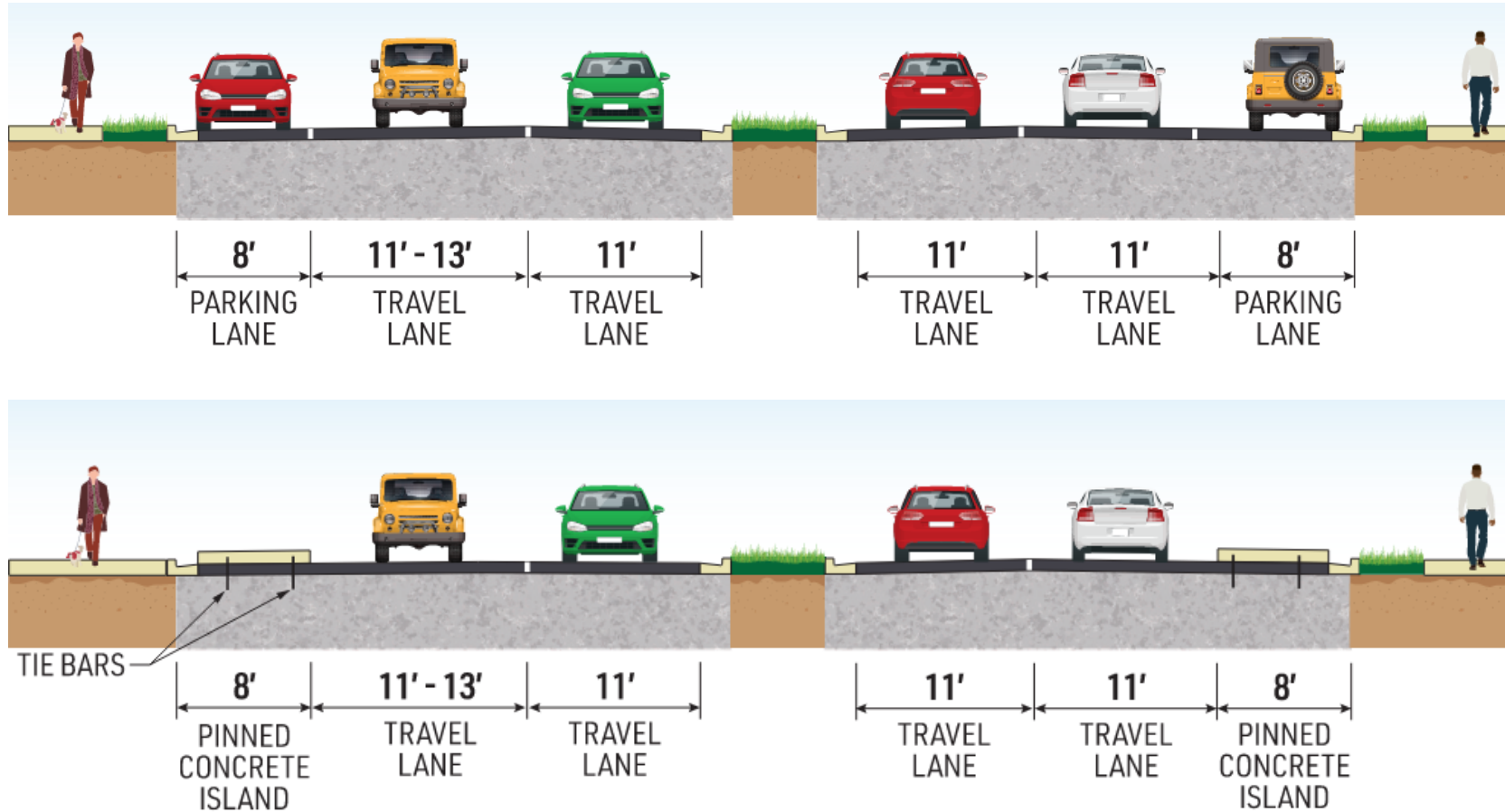
- Asphalt Resurfacing – Mill and Overlay
- Curb & gutter, sidewalk, median noses, and driveway approaches
- Curb ramp replacement
- Pavement restriping
- Pinned concrete islands at select intersections
- Pedestrian refuge in medians
- Traffic signals
- Street lighting
- Storm sewer



# EXISTING TYPICAL SECTION



# PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTIONS



# NEED FOR FOUR-LANES OF TRAFFIC

- Traffic volumes
  - Average Annual Daily Traffic (Between 7<sup>th</sup> St. and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.)
    - Existing: 30,500
    - Forecasted (2044): 35,100
  - Average Annual Daily Traffic (Between Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. and Holton St.)
    - Existing: 22,400
    - Forecasted (2044): 25,800
- Single lane threshold: 24,500
- 2-Lane Traffic Impacts
  - Less capacity & longer delays
  - Fewer gaps in traffic
  - Potential for higher crash rate



# AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COMPLIANCE

- Sidewalks
  - Site visit performed to evaluate panels
  - Reconstruct as needed
- Curb Ramps
  - Type II or Type III curb ramps preferred
  - No right-of-way acquisition anticipated



Existing Type I Curb Ramp



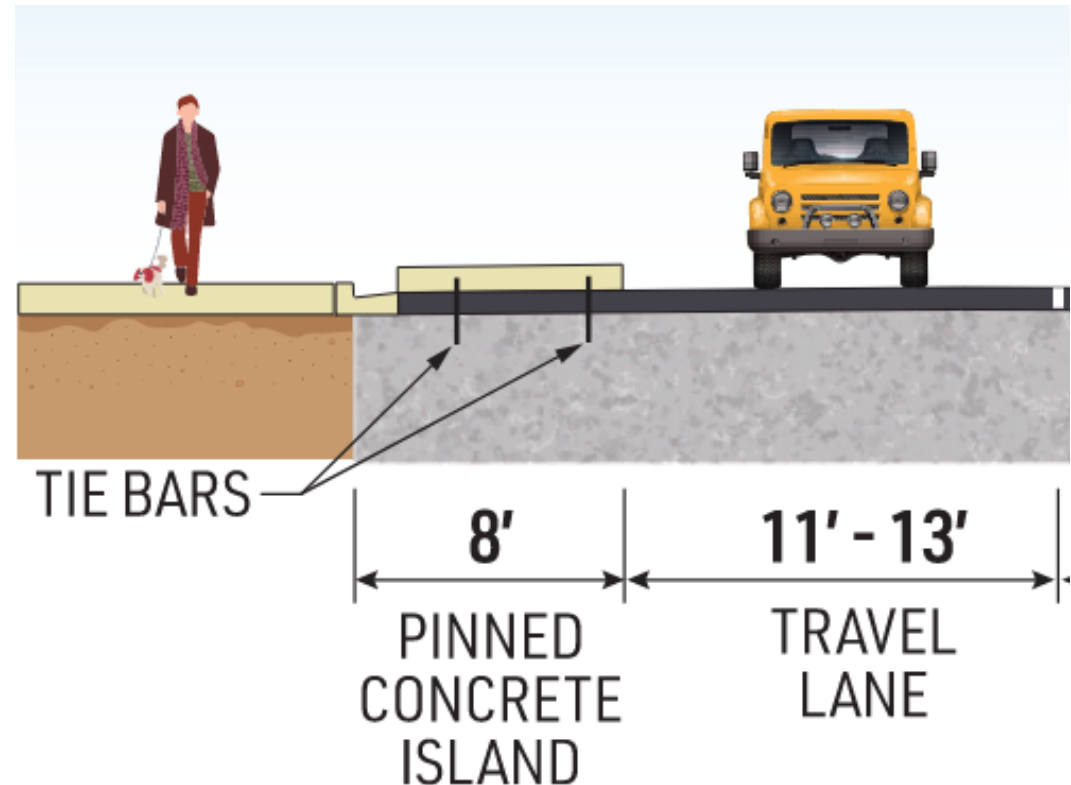
Example of a Type II Curb Ramp



Example of a Type III Curb Ramp

# COMPLETE STREETS

- Concerns
  - Crash rates
  - Passing in parking lane
  - Higher speeds
- Evaluation
  - Intersection Improvements
    - Pinned concrete islands
    - Concrete curb extensions



# COMPLETE STREETS

- Evaluation Continued
  - Crosswalks
    - Evaluated per the City of Milwaukee Crosswalk Marking Policy
    - High visibility crosswalks
    - New crosswalks throughout corridor
  - Bicycle accommodations
    - Impacts parking
    - Need to maintain 2 lanes of travel in each direction
    - Insufficient roadway width

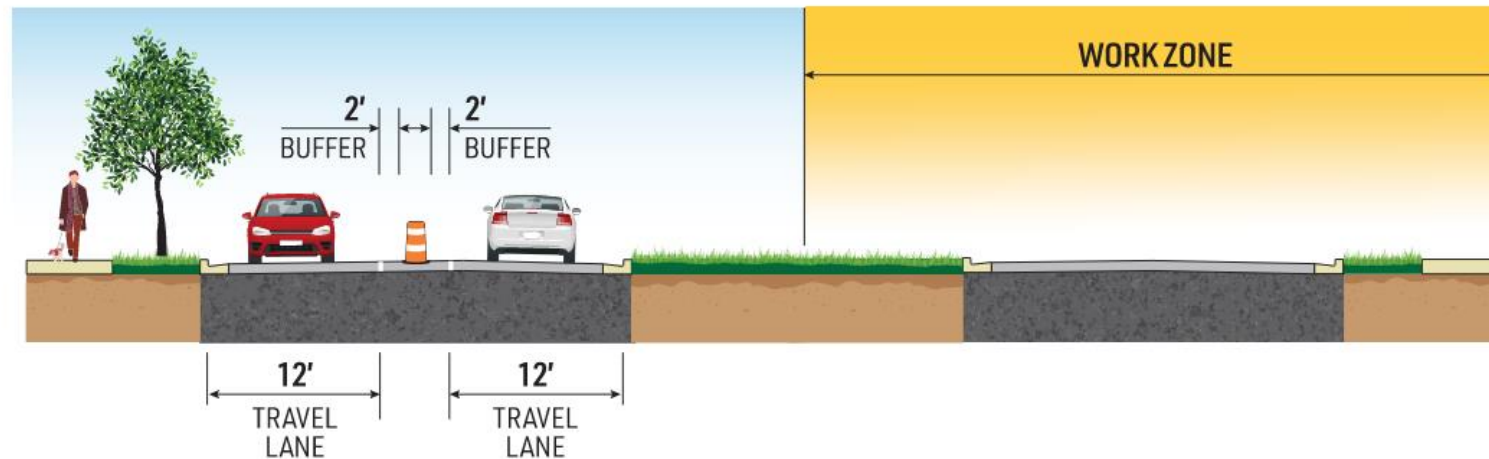


High Visibility Crosswalks



# TRAFFIC STAGING

- Construction scheduled in 2024
- Traffic will be reduced to 1 lane in each direction during construction
- Two-stage construction sequence utilizing a crossover



- No parking allowed on E/W Locust St during construction
- Pedestrian accommodations during construction will be further developed

# ADJACENT PROJECTS “BY OTHERS”

- WisDOT I-43 Rehabilitation Project (Brown St. to Capitol Dr.)
  - <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/se/43south/default.aspx>
  - Anticipated construction 2023 - 2024
- Milwaukee Library Development
  - 310 W Locust St, 2971-2977 N Martin Luther King Jr Dr
  - Anticipated construction 2023

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# THANK YOU!

## QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS?

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